

**COMMENT OF
THE DAY**

**Ratification
Comes First**

THE one clear task that lies in front of Western statesmen during the next three months is to ensure that the Paris Agreements are ratified by all parties and thus stabilise and strengthen Western defences. They should set the objective of seeing that the process is completed early in April.

What still remains to be done? In France it was to be hoped that the main hurdle was cleared when the Assembly gave its approval to all three ratification bills. It is true that the approval of the Senate is still necessary and they have two months from January 11 in which to refuse or give it, but in the event of a dispute between the two Houses which cannot be resolved by compromise the views of the Assembly prevail.

In West Germany the Upper House has considered the Paris Agreements bills and referred them to the Lower House without giving a final opinion. They are unlikely, however, to upset the decisions of the Lower House. That body gave its first readings to the bill just before Christmas and is likely to hold its second and third readings (after which it will vote) late this month or early in February.

The principal tussle will be over the Saar Agreement which has aroused bitter opposition in many Germans. In the Lower House that antagonism has been voiced by the Socialist opposition and within Dr Adenauer's coalition by the Free Democrats. But the opposition of the latter party has died down considerably. On the whole the chances of ratification look good though temperatures may rise again before ratification is complete.

It can be expected there still will be plenty of argument before this is achieved. There is, in fact, room for reasonable discussion about certain details and some clarification may be needed. But it would be the greatest mistake to reopen matters of principle at this stage or to produce new plans which cut across the Agreements reached in Paris. Now that there is a clear objective it must be attained as quickly as possible.

The Western nations may be quite sure that the Russian will not be idle during the next few weeks, but it is important that the West should not allow themselves to be frightened by boogies. It is doubtful whether the Russians can produce either by threats or promises anything new. They speak of developing the military power of their satellites, but the question is whether these are as heavily armed as their economies will stand. They will certainly put forward more plausible suggestions, but it is only the trimmings that are new. An examination generally shows them to be a rehash of previous plans. If the West is only steadfast there is nothing to fear.

Perhaps the most dangerous tendency is the desire in certain quarters to parley with the Russians before ratification of the Agreements. This is exactly what the Russians want and it would be sheer madness to contemplate such a move. The time for those conversations will doubtless come, but much later on when unity is assured. There is no point in fixing any date for them in advance or showing other signs of overanxiety.

HK HARBOUR BRIDGE PROJECT

Private Plan To Be Submitted To Govt ESTIMATED TO COST \$104 MILLION

By ROBIN HUTCHEON

A Hongkong company is to submit plans to Government for a £6½ million (HK\$104 million) cross-harbour bridge stretching from Morrison Hill, Happy Valley to Chatham Road, Kowloon.

A well-known British engineering firm has submitted preliminary plans to the G. E. Marden interests and these will, in turn, be forwarded to Government when the final investigation, estimates and diagrams have been completed.

I understand that the Chairman of Wheelock Marden & Co. Ltd., Mr G. E. Marden has already had informal discussions with Government on the project but these have been of rather a general nature.

Government is, however, not expected to take any action in the immediate future other than to consider them in detail—because it is already heavily committed in the field of public works with two projects which will tax the Colony's financial and material resources for the next few years, the Tai Lam Chung reservoir and the Kai Tak airport extension scheme.

And presumably, if a decision is made to provide a transport link between the island and the mainland, Government experts will consider the bridge plans in conjunction with an under-the-harbour tunnel project which has been suggested by past Hongkong planners and which is apparently still favoured by some sections of the community.

British Ship Sunk In Swatow Raid

The British steamer Edendale was sunk in Swatow harbour yesterday evening believed to have been the victim of a Nationalist air-raid.

The ship was commanded by Captain L. C. Church, and he and the rest of the crew are reported to be safe.

The 1,717-ton ship, built in 1907 at Newcastle, was on a routine run between Hongkong and Swatow, and was due to leave Swatow early this morning.

The charterers of the ship, Johnson Shipping Company, are awaiting further information from their agents in Swatow.

RAIDS ANNOUNCED

Strong formations of Nationalist Chinese fighters launched "punitive" actions against Chinese Communist military units in the Swatow and Amoy areas, a communique issued by the Ministry of National Defence here announced today.

In a retaliatory measure, a large number of Nationalist fighter-bombers had attacked and crippled junks along the southeast China coast and in the Swatow areas. All the planes returned safely to their bases, added the communique.

—France-Press.

Union Boss Slain

New York, Jan. 19. Walter Smith, 45, a leading organizer of the International Longshoremen's Association, was found shot dead in a gangland style today. His body was in a car in a section of New York known as the old "murdering" dumping ground.

The police said he had been having trouble with the Association's waterfront rival, the American Federation of Labour.

—China Mail Special.

Soviet Atomic Concession Hint

Vienna, Jan. 19. The Soviet Union may allow Western scientists to inspect a Soviet atomic power station, Mr. Ilya Ehrenburg, Soviet author, told reporters here today.

"The Soviet Union would have no objection to scientists viewing our power station, details of which have been offered to the world—but spied out," he declared.

Mr K. B. Allport, Manager of the Harriman Realty Co. Ltd. disclosed exclusively to the China Mail today the plans so far prepared by a British engineering firm whose name cannot be revealed at this stage.

They provide for a "two-tier" bridge from Morrison Hill, Hongkong to Chatham Road, Kowloon; that is, a bridge with two roads running one above the other, with the upper road carrying two lanes of traffic, one way and the lower road carrying traffic the other way.

The two-tier conception has obvious advantages from the point of view of safety, while the double traffic lanes on each road are designed to ensure that if a vehicle breaks down in one lane, it will not immobilise traffic completely. Footpaths will run along either side of the lower road.

A number of considerations influenced the promoters in deciding upon the site for the bridge, not the least of which was that various planning aspects appear to be simplified by building it in this position.

Mile And A Half Long

The bridge and approaches would be a total of about a mile and a half long and, as the artist's impression shows, it would have a total of eight reinforced concrete piers, bases of which would be so shaped as to prevent scouring and silting in the harbour.

The bridge spans would be approximately 600 feet apart and would be 180 feet above the sea-level, thus enabling the largest ship currently calling at the Colony to pass underneath, Mr Allport said. But under the present plans the bridge might affect the positioning of some Admiralty buoys.

Wider spans could be provided but these would increase the cost of the project.

The present cost of the bridge is estimated at about £6½ million and it would take five or six years to build. But the promoters believe that by the time it has been erected, what with rising steel prices and

Low Toll Proposed

Insofar as the toll is concerned, the promoters believe it is essential to make the bridge popular with the motoring public and to encourage motorists to use it as much as possible. They therefore believe that the toll should be kept as low as is economically possible and on a rough draft scale so far prepared they believe toll rates would compare favourably with existing vehicular ferry charges.

But income-raising plans—as indeed, plans for the whole project—were only in the embryo state and still require a lot of investigation and consideration.

Both Morrison Hill and the Chatham Road area are crown land and the disturbance to private property would be comparatively small.

Mr Allport said that by establishing one end of the bridge at Morrison Hill, it would lead into a number of main traffic arteries which would give comparatively easy approach from and access to all parts of the island.

The bridge under the present plan would pass over Gloucester, Jaffe, Lockhart, and Hennessy Roads on the Hongkong side and would be either linked directly with, or be within easy reach of, arteries such as Queen's Road East, Wongachong Road, Stubbs Road and Leighton Hill Road.

And by establishing the other end of the bridge at Chatham Road, this would ensure a convenient approach from and access to the main roads of Kowloon.

The bridge in the present plan would pass over Holt's Wharf on the Kowloon side but the promoters believe it would not affect its facilities unduly.

The provision of ancillary services (such as roads) it might entail a total expenditure of about £10 million (HK\$160 million).

How is the bridge to be financed? Possibly—in fact, most probably—by a loan obtained externally and initial inquiries on this question have been made already. Mr Allport said it could be run by a public corporation under strict financial control until it had been paid for, and could then be handed over to Government.

A toll is suggested for bridge users and this, it is estimated, would bring the proposed corporation an income of about \$12 million a year. Against this would be expenditure for maintenance and repair. It would probably mean a never-ending painting job—as on the Sydney Harbour bridge—for when the bridge has been completely repainted once, it will be time to start again on a new coating.

Baby Born In Flooded Home

Saint Sumphorian, France, Jan. 19. While flood waters were swirling around her home, on the shores of the swollen river Rhone, completely cutting it off from the outside world, a mother gave birth to her baby.

The woman's husband had to deliver the child, as the doctor—travelling by boat—could not reach the house until some hours after the baby's birth.

Mother and child were today reported to be doing well.

—France-Press.

Bing's Operation Successful

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—United Press.

Explosion Disaster

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Says Spirits Gave Him Bad Advice

Detroit, Jan. 19.

A University of Michigan history professor filed a \$16,400 damage suit against a spiritualist preacher today, charging bad advice from the afterworld had cost him that much.

Professor Albert Humas said that on the advice of the spiritualists, Mrs Lillian Lee, he declined to sell stock in a firm that later went bankrupt, and he had invested in a "phony" oil venture.

The professor testified in Circuit Court today that through Mrs Lee, who also directs the Church of Christ here, he was able to contact the Scottish writer, Thomas Carlyle, who died in 1881.

He said that on the advice of Carlyle, through Mrs Lee, he rejected an offer for stock he held in a firm which went bankrupt. He was also advised to help finance drilling for oil where there was none, he added.

Some 30 members of Mrs Lee's group said they would take the stand tomorrow to deny that spirits gave the professor bad advice.

"He just didn't understand the messages right," said one.

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THIS TIME IT'S FELT HATS Complaint Levelled Against Hongkong Manufacturers

Our Own Correspondent

London, Jan. 19.

The Board of Trade is investigating a complaint from British hat makers that competition from Hongkong is seriously undermining their export trade. "Such large numbers are involved," said Mr J. McNulty, secretary of the British Felt Hat Manufacturers Federation today, "that we cannot help feeling the hats are made in Japan and simply re-exported from Hongkong."

According to official Hongkong Government figures, the Colony exported 290,000 dozen felt hats last year. It imported 176 dozen, of which only three dozen were from Japan.

"If these figures are correct," said Mr McNulty, "it means Hongkong has taken over Britain's position as the world's second biggest hat makers. We have two or three hundred years of experience behind us and between 40 and 50 factories against Hongkong's eight or nine, yet we export only between a third and a half as many hats as Hongkong."

"Speaking from our knowledge of the trade we believe it is impossible for an industry with as few productive units as Hongkong's to make as many hats as they are exporting."

LOSING MARKETS

As a result of this intense competition, Mr McNulty said British exporters were in danger of being pushed out of their traditional markets in the West Indies and East and West Africa. "There have been many instances of British orders being turned down and the orders being given to Hongkong exporters," he said.

"Our hats are priced at between 90 shillings and 150 shillings a dozen," he went on, "but Hongkong sells them for between 25 and 60 shillings a dozen. Even if we were to cut our overheads to the minimum and dispensed with profits altogether, we couldn't compete. The price of wool alone would make it impossible."

"In view of this it will take an awful lot to convince us that these hats are really made in Hongkong and not in Japan."

THE ANSWER

Mr E. G. A. Grimwood, Director of the Hongkong Government Office in London, has listed three reasons why Hongkong exports its relatively small industry exports twice as many hats as Britain.

(1) Hongkong factories work more shifts per day.

(2) Output per man-hour is higher in Hongkong.

(3) Hongkong factories export almost their entire output, whereas the British industry sells abroad only half its production.

Following representations from the British Felt Hat Manufacturers Federation, the Board of Trade has promised a full investigation into the facts.

Dramatic Rescue Of HK Man

Terschelling Island, Holland, Jan. 19.

A Dutch lifeboat skipper, Jaanes Toxopeus, told here early today how he made the most dangerous trip of his life to rescue four British merchant navy officers—including one whose home is in Hongkong—and more than 20 Chinese seamen.

Toxopeus's lifeboat was several times flung against the side of the 3,587-ton British ship Theta Star as he fought to get the men off.

For more than an hour he circled near the vessel—aground on a sandbank off Terschelling Island—snatching men hanging from a rope ladder.

The four British officers were: Captain J. Croswell, 57, from northern England but now living in Hongkong; First Mate H.A.C. Smith, 28; First Engineer C. Wilson, 57, and Second Engineer I. Halworth, 30.

The Theta Star left Bremerhaven for Rouen, France, on Sunday.

Today attempts will be made to rebound her and get her off the sandbank. —China Mail Special.

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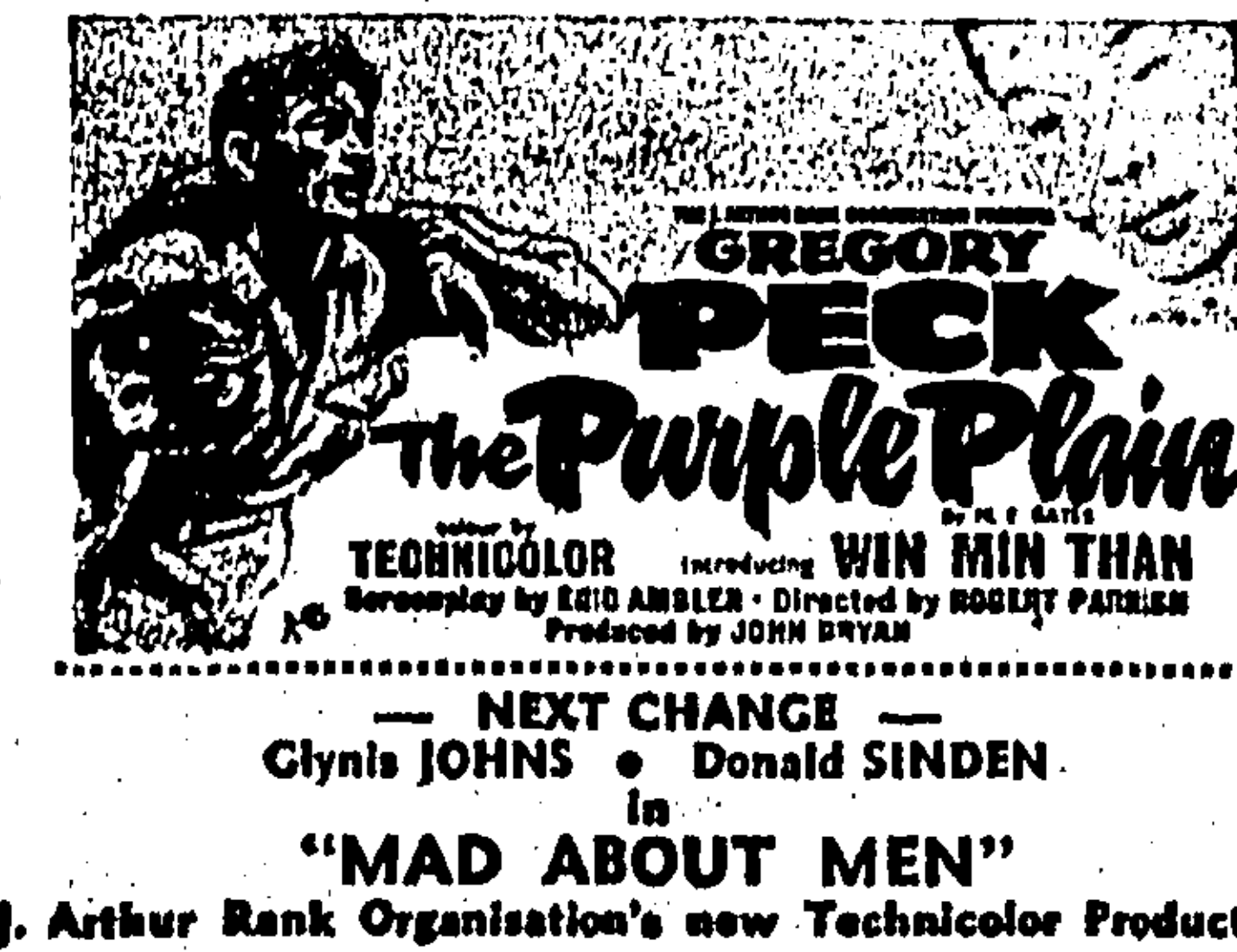


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NO 'MARSHALL PLAN' FOR ASIA

European Countries Will Be Asked For Co-operation

FAR EAST DEVELOPMENT

Washington, Jan. 19.
 The death-knell for a rumoured "Marshall Plan for Asia" was sounded to-day when the Foreign Operations Administrator, Mr Harold Stassen, said no new programme would be forthcoming this year.

The talk of an Asian aid programme was begun by Mr Stassen himself several weeks ago when he told a Press conference that Europe would be asked to co-operate with the U.S. in a programme of development for the Far Eastern countries.

The Secretary of the Treasury, Mr George Humphrey, said the U.S. could not afford it and pointed out that the programme would be a decrease in the size of any new programme until release of the President's Budget message which contained no mention of any new programme.

NOTHING LATER
 Appearing at a House Ways and Means Committee hearing today on a proposed new trade bill, Mr Stassen was asked whether any additional request for Asia might be made later this year.

He said it would not. The President's estimate of \$3,500,000,000 included all aid programmes contemplated, he added.
 Mr Stassen told the Committee today that the phrase "Marshall Plan for Asia" which had been given the programme in speculation about it, had been misleading in the first place. "I couldn't be that type of programme in any event," he said. "The Marshall Plan was designed to rebuild a war-torn industrial economy in Europe. The problem is different in Asia where the areas involved were underdeveloped."

ALLOCATION
 There will be no new Asian programme as such contained in the foreign aid bill, he continued. But he added that approximately one half of the new requests were earmarked for spending in Indo-China, Korea, Pakistan, Turkey, Formosa and Spain.

He said he could not say in open session what percentage of that total would be spent in

Snowbound Sick Being Evacuated

Wick, Scotland, Jan. 19.

Naval helicopters and Air Force reconnaissance planes today evacuated some of the sick from North of Scotland villages and hamlets cut off by snow from civilisation for more than a week.

In "Operation Snowdrop" code name for the rescue of the frozen communities—they ran short of food, clothing and other supplies.

THAW WILL SPREAD
 Warmer weather in the Lowlands meant that the thaw would soon spread to the badly hit Northeast of Scotland. But the temperature, though several degrees higher than yesterday, was still below freezing point.

Sea Hawk jet planes from the Royal Naval Air Station at Lossiemouth patrolled the whole area—snow waste covering the three counties of Sutherland, Caithness and Ross-shire—looking for signs of distress either by smoke signal or marks in the snow.

The helicopters last night and early today dropped supplies to 40 hungry villages, at Cape Wrath, on the rugged Northwest tip of Scotland. Light-house keepers received their first food supplies for 14 days when a helicopter dropped containers to them.



Major-General G. W. Lathbury, CB, DSO, MBE, Vice-Adjudant General in the War Office, who has been appointed the new Commander-in-Chief East Africa with the temporary rank of Lieutenant-General with effect from May 1955, or later if operational considerations demand it. He is to succeed General Sir George Erskine, and will have the job of overcoming final Mau Mau resistance. — Express Photo.

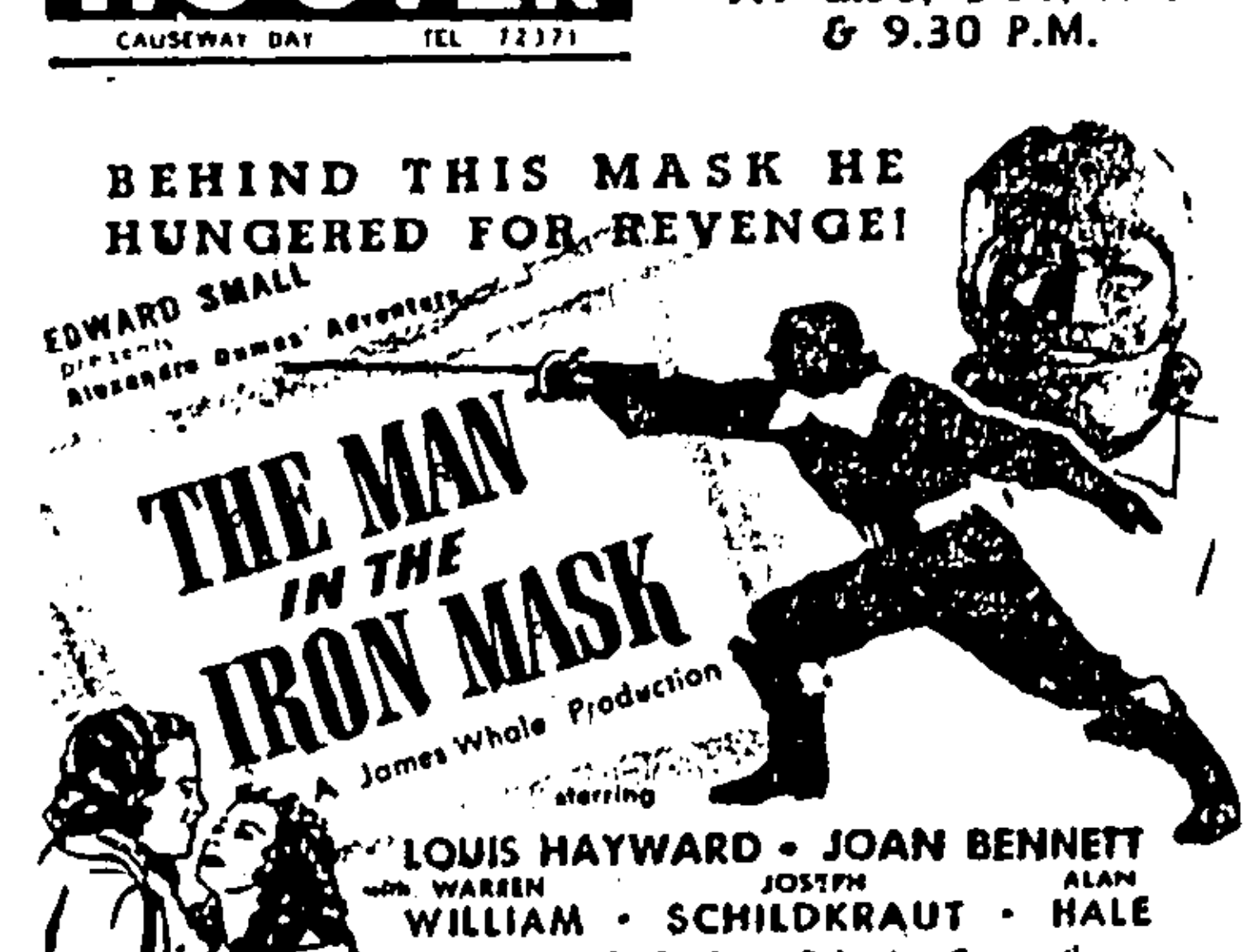
NAUTILUS DIVES TODAY

Groton, Conn., Jan. 19.
 The first ever atom-powered submarine Nautilus will make her first dive tomorrow. On her first trip today, the submarine only engaged in surface trials. — France Press.

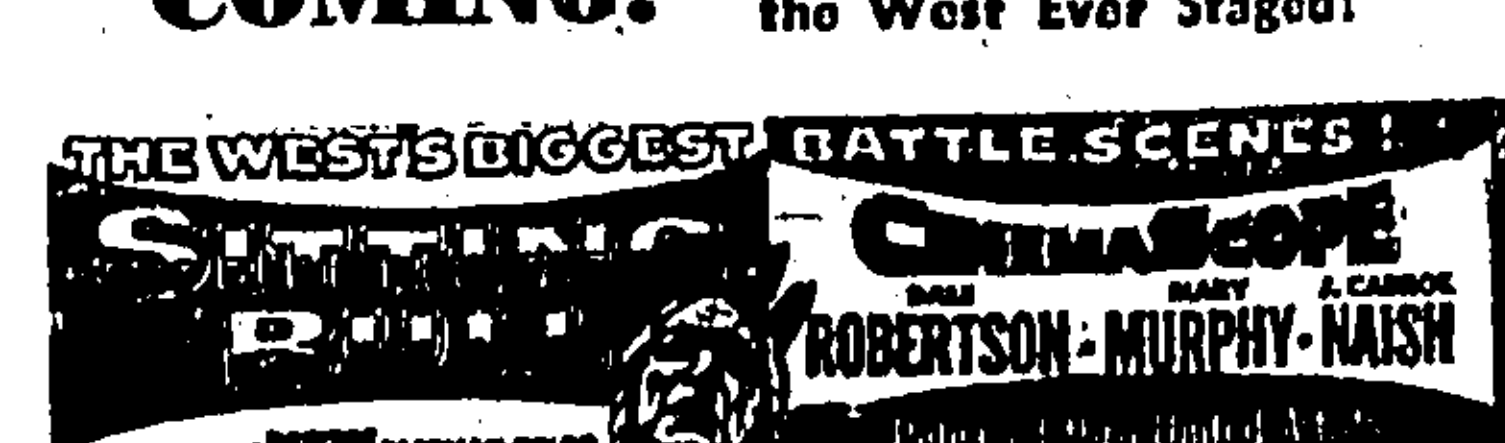
PILOT'S BODY FOUND

Nairobi, Jan. 19.
 A police search party today found the body of Mr Robert Robinson, 37, consultant engineer who force-landed his plane in Mau Mau territory last Thursday and tried to reach Nairobi on foot. — China Mail Special.

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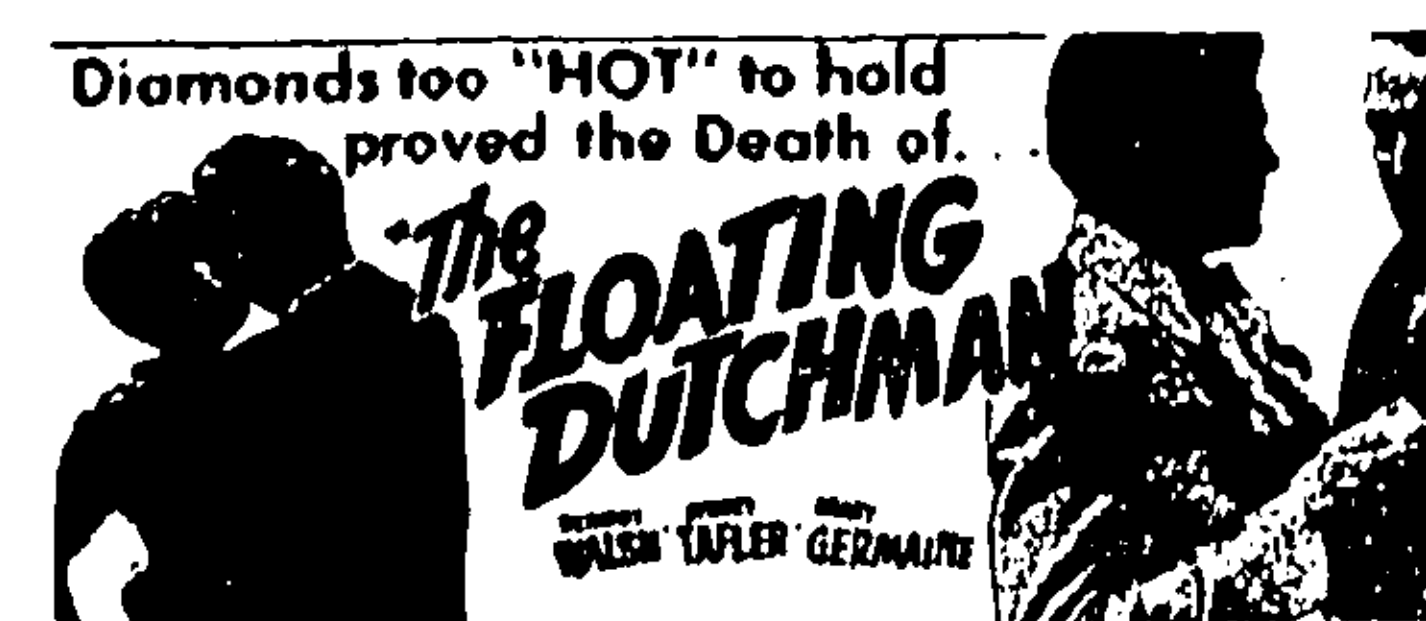
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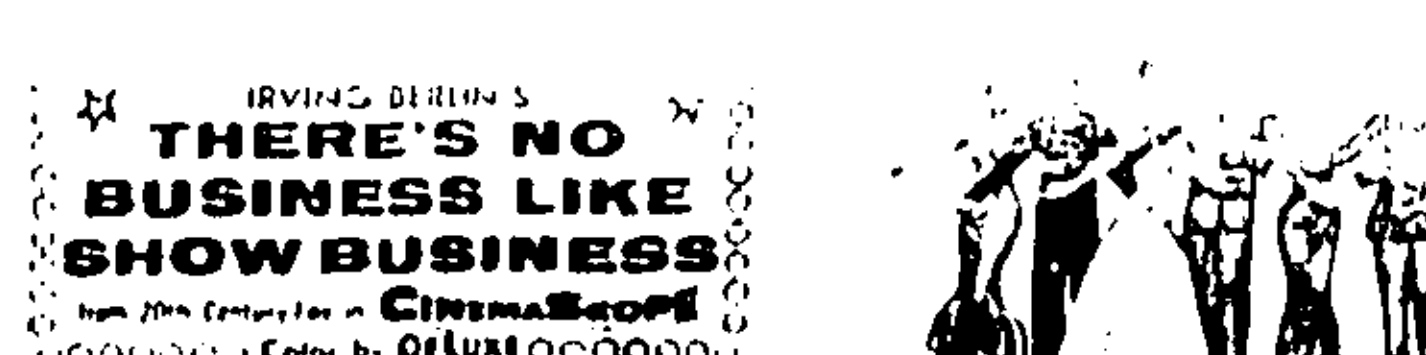
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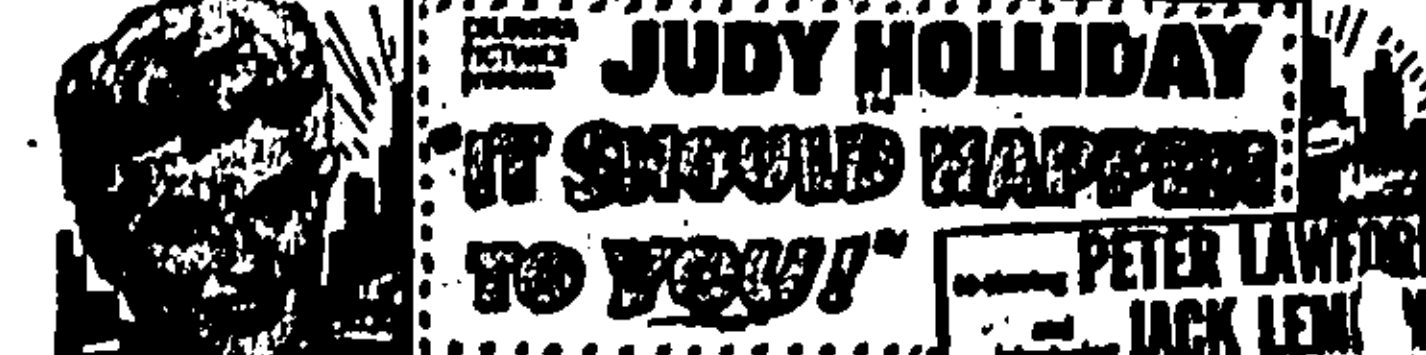
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Gen. Taylor Pleads For ROK Officer

Seoul, Jan. 20.
General Maxwell Taylor today asked President Rhee to be lenient with an ROK Army officer who threatened the general with a loaded pistol.

General Taylor, U.S. Army commander, said he told Rhee something must have been "mentally wrong" with the Korean officer, who confessed to threatening General Taylor with a 45 caliber pistol in a fit of anger over getting more American military aid for Korea. The major denied that he tried to assassinate General Taylor.

"I asked for clemency in behalf of the major," said Gen. Taylor. "As far as I am concerned, the incident is closed."—United Press.

Princess May Not Be Able To Telephone

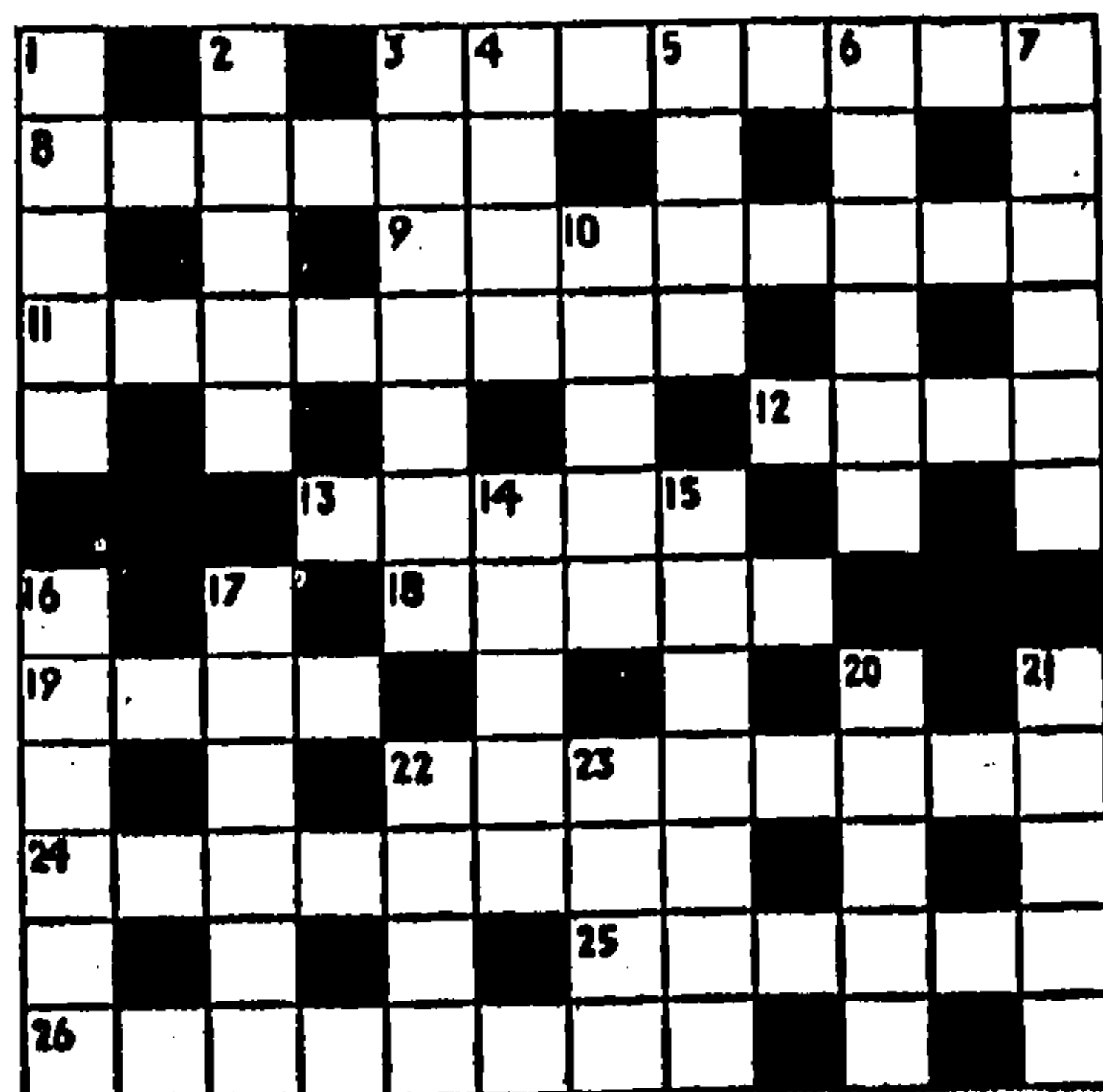
Port of Spain, Jan. 19.
When Princess Margaret arrives on January 30 on a tour of the Caribbean, she may not be able to communicate with home by telephone.

Trinidad telephone workers served notice today that they would go on strike on January 25.

The Communications Services Union has been negotiating a wage increase with the Telephone Company for some weeks. However, the company now refuses any further discussions if the Union President, Mr. Simon Collymore, is to act for the Union.

The Union countered that unless Mr. Collymore were recognized as its negotiator the strike would begin.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS
3 Got the better of (8).
8 Keenness of perception (10).
9 Lively (8).
11 Soft drink (8).
12 Adhesive (4).
13 Exclude (6).
14 Ease off (6).
15 Send forth (4).
22 In error (8).
24 Controversy (8).
25 Come (6).
26 Strict-living persons (8).

DOWN
1 Buckle's (5).
2 Lay figure (5).
3 Wander about (7).
4 Indian coin (4).
5 Volume (4).
6 Fluster (6).
7 Tricks (6).
10 Perfect (6).
14 Commence (5).
15 Boats (7).
16 Run off (9).
17 Column (6).
20 Coil of wool (5).
21 Rags (5).
22 Support for sails (4).
23 Berlinise (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Credible, 7 Ruler, 8 Oddments, 10 Orator, 13 Mariner, 15 Wily, 17 Acrylics, 18 Confide, 20 Onus, 21 Slender, 23 Easuro, 27 Dispenda, 28 Uncle, 29 Resolute. Down: 1 Groom, 2 Clear, 3 Croon, 4 Demo, 5 Banquet, 6 Essays, 9 Dreads, 11 Rayon, 12 Tilt, 14 Reeled, 15 Warns, 16 Lever, 18 Concor, 19 Nurwe, 22 Enque, 24 Puncto, 25 Revel, 26 Peel.

Committee Approves Saar Treaty

Paris, Jan. 19.

The German rearmament pacts cleared the first hurdle of a possibly hazardous course through the French Senate tonight when its Foreign Affairs Committee approved the Saar Agreement.

The Committee also proposed February 8 as the date for starting the debate on the treaties in the Upper House of Parliament, officially the Council of the Republic.

The powerful Committee began studying the rearmament pacts during a recess in a seven-country conference on a European arms pool.

COMMUNIST VOTE

The agreements were ratified by the National Assembly last month by a vote of 287 to 269. Now any amendment whatever in the Senate would send the entire package back to the Assembly, which at best would delay overall ratification indefinitely.

Only the two Communists on the Foreign Affairs Committee voted against the Saar agreement, to "Europeanise" the industrial basin between France and Germany.

The Saar accord was tied in with the other agreements on the rearmament of West Germany within the ranks of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation and the Western European Union. Even the French standpoint, the Saar accord was one of the least controversial.

The conference on the arms pool, which opened on Monday,

Frenchwoman Not Guilty Of Murder

Peregrine, Jan. 20.
Marguerite Marty was last night acquitted of the murder by poisoning of her cousin, Jeanne Chaudin, for the love of Jeanne's husband.

As the Chairman of the jury replied "no" to the judge's question whether Marty was guilty, the jammed courtroom broke into a loud applause.—France-Press.



The Japanese Ambassador in London, Mr. Shunichi Matsumoto, with his wife and 14-year-old daughter Mikiko, just before they left London Airport for Rome en route for Japan. He is retiring from the foreign service to enter politics and will stand as a Democrat in the coming elections.—Reuter Photo.

Vin Ordinaire? Mais Non —'Milk'

Paris, Jan. 19.
Milk rations for all French troops stationed in metropolitan France are now "official."

The decree providing for a daily issue of one-eighth of a litre (about one-fifth of a pint) of milk per man was published today in the "Official Gazette," with effect from last New Year's Day.—France-Press.

16 FRENCH DEPUTIES EXPELLED

Paris, Jan. 19.

The French Socialist Party executive decided late tonight to expel sixteen Deputies who voted against ratification of the French National Assembly of the Paris Agreements to rearm West Germany.

Among the sixteen is M. Marcel Baguelin, former Minister of Education and former Governor-General of Algeria.

The sixteen have the right of appeal to the Socialist National Congress, which has been called for February 5 and 6.

The Congress will also have to hear the appeal of M. Max Lejeune, Deputy for the Somme Department and Mayor of Arras, expelled from the Party earlier for his part in bringing about the defeat of the European Army plan which the Party backed.

The sixteen now facing expulsion had also voted against the European Army plan.—Reuter.

Washington, Jan. 19.
Mr. C. Tyler Wood, U.S. Economic Co-ordinator in Korea, told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today that American aid to Korea must continue at about the current level if the Korean A. M. should maintain its present size.—United Press.

Women Administer Five Villages

Ue'en, Germany, Jan. 19.
FIVE farming villages near here are administered almost entirely by women.

After the war, when many of the local men were either in prisoner-of-war camps or considered politically tainted, the women, many of them

refugees from Berlin and East Prussia, filled the breach. ONE of the villages, Brauel, has now re-elected a mayoress for the seventh time.

The men say that it is more pleasant to deal with a woman official, "and women are better diplomats."—Reuter.

The letter added: "We are prepared to meet your representatives for these negotiations."

It was signed by Walter Ulbricht, First Secretary of the East German Communist Party, who is also First Deputy Premier in East Germany.—Reuter.

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"The low price, the beautiful material, the fine tailoring—are you going to overlook all that just because the suit doesn't fit?"

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Tourney Is Spot To See Great Playing

By OSWALD JACOBY

ONE of the pleasant things about watching a national bridge championship is that you're sure to see many well-played hands, like the one shown here today, taken from the summer nationals, held in Washington last August.

The bidding varied from one table to another when this hand was encountered in the final session of the Men's Pair Championship. The bidding actually shown was that of the winners—Eric R. Murray and Douglas Drury, a pair of Canadian experts who added to the respect that all American experts have for their Canadian brethren.

West opened the ace of spades, dropping Murray's singleton king. Stuck for a good lead, West then shifted to his trump. Murray won in dummy with the jack of hearts and drew another round with the ace. Then he wisely abandoned trumps and led the ten of clubs for a finesse.

West won with the queen of clubs and wondered what to do next. He was sure that a club return would be fatal, and he

NORTH (D) 20			
♠ 73			
♥ AKQJ			
♦ A5			
♣ 10985			
WEST			
♠ AQ10984			
♥ 652			
♦ K62			
♣ KQ6			
EAST			
♠ 652			
♥ 1075			
♦ 10983			
♣ 74			
SOUTH			
♠ K			
♥ 98432			
♦ Q74			
♣ AJ32			
Both sides vul.			
North	East	South	West
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♥	Double
2 ♥	Pass	3 ♥	3 ♣
4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♠ A			

was almost positive that a diamond return would just give declarer a trick with the queen of diamonds. Hence West picked the only return that wasn't immediately fatal—the queen of spades.

This fine defence didn't faze the Canadian star at all. He ruffed the queen of spades, led a trump to the dummy, discarded a diamond on the jack of spades, cashed the ace of clubs, and threw West in with a third round of clubs.

Now West could find no escape. If he led another spade, declarer could ruff in either hand and discard the losing diamond from the other. Hence West led a low diamond, hoping against hope that his partner had the queen. The hope was vain, for Murray let the diamond come around to his own queen, and the difficult game contract was now safe.

CARD Sense

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West 1 Diamond Double ?

You, South, hold: Spades K-6-3, Hearts Q-9-8-5-3-2, Diamonds 4-2, Clubs 6-4. What do you do?

A—Bid one heart. In this situation, make your normal bid at the level of one when you have a suit worth showing. If you fall to bid hearts now, the bidding may be up to about two spades at your next turn and then you may be worried about showing the hearts for the first time at the level of three.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades K-6-3, Hearts 4-4, Diamonds 4-2, Clubs Q-9-8-5-3-2. What do you do?

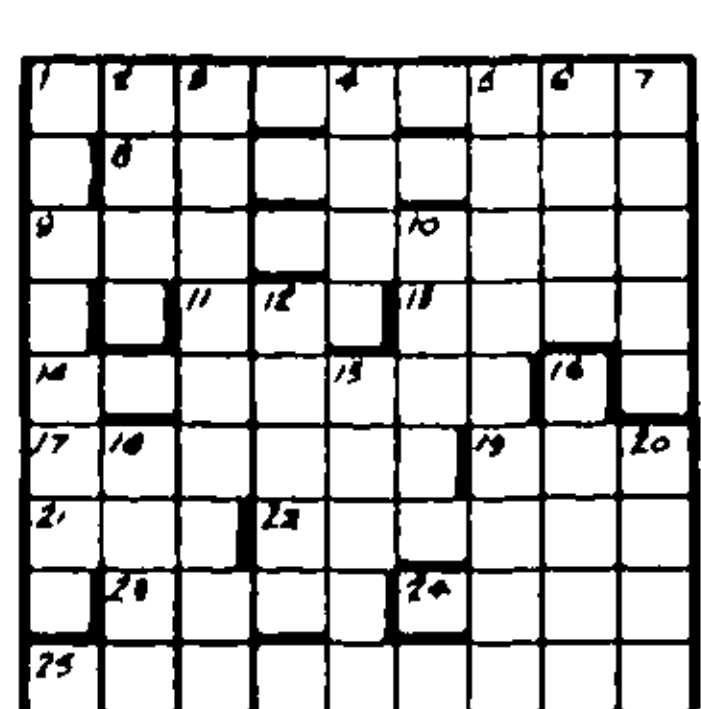
Answer Tomorrow

DUMB BELLS

WHY ARE YOU TAKING FREEMAN LESSONS? SO I CAN TALK OVER THE FRENCH TELEPHONE WE'RE HAVING INSTALLED



CROSSWORD



Across

1. Its found all over the country when a thaw comes (15)

8. Payment to keep a man on the books (10)

9. This shows which way the wind is blowing (9)

11. Early reading with cat and mat. (10)

13. Just a big down (14)

14. What's cooking? Is a cry often heard here (13)

17. Another name for 16 Down (10)

19. That a storage (13)

21. Free for motion (13)

22. The marks in the Navy (10)

23. Top story (14)

24. Doubled with trouble for the athletes (14)

25. A we equipped 14 Across, found in every good me (19)

Down

1. No bouquet certainly (10)

2. Tea-sipping part of the (10)

3. Birds come after the green and the amber (10)

4. You say the right thing when you use this (10)

5. I find none (10)

6. The Spaniard's a buxom type (10)

7. Make a mistake and get this right (10)

10. The count at attention (10)

12. Account for a mixed car on the Old Coast (10)

15. These melodies are sweet and the poet (10)

16. This will help you to (10)

17. Across

18. Something extra in the pay packet (10)

20. A good eye, maybe found in this (14)

26. Yesterday's solution

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NO TOUGHER MATCH THAN THIS: PRESTON'S RECORD WITH SUNDERLAND

By TOM FINNEY

A footballer's attitude to his team's luck in a Cup draw is very much like that of a boxer before a big fight: he is satisfied with the way things have turned out and is full of confidence. That must be my view of Preston's home draw with Sunderland.

But it would be foolish to pretend that this is where Preston just gallop into the fifth round. On paper Preston v. Sunderland is probably the best match of the fourth round but, apart from a draw with Wolves or one of the Manchester teams, there could have been no tougher proposition for North End at Deepdale.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB SPECIAL CASH SWEEP ON THE PEARCE MEMORIAL CUP

Saturday, 22nd January, 1955.

Over 1,200,000 tickets sold to date

The Sale of Cash Sweep Tickets on the above will close on Friday, 21st January, as follows:—

382 Nathan Road, Kowloon, at 4.00 p.m.
5 D'Aguilar Street, at 5.00 p.m.
Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road, at 6.00 p.m.

The Draw will be held in the Public Betting Hall at the Race Course, at 10.00 a.m. on Saturday, 22nd January, 1955.

By Order of the Stewards,
PEAT, MARWICK, MITCHELL & CO.
Treasurers.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB ANNUAL RACE MEETING

Saturday 15th, Wednesday 19th and Saturday 22nd January, 1955.

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 30 RACES

The First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the First Race run at 12.00 NOON each day.

The Tiffin interval is after the Fourth Race (1.30 p.m.) each day.

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 10.00 a.m. each day.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED. All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 72811).

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths in the Members' Betting Hall.

CASH SWEEPS

Although Through Tickets cannot normally be purchased for each day of a Meeting unless there is an interval of at least five days between each day an exception is being made for the Annual Race Meeting. Through Cash Sweep tickets, therefore, at \$20 each per day or \$60 for the three days of the Meeting may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices during normal office hours until 10.00 a.m. on each day of the Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 4,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 4,000.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on the day preceding the Race Meeting for which they are reserved will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 4,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from subscription lists without stating reasons for their action.

SPECIAL CASH SWEEP

Tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the Pearce Memorial Cup scheduled to be run on 22nd January, 1955, at \$2.00 each, may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices.

The sale of these tickets will close on Friday 21st January at:—
382 Nathan Road, Kowloon, at 4.00 p.m.
5 D'Aguilar Street, at 5.00 p.m.
Queen's Building, (Chater Road), at 6.00 p.m.

TOTALISATOR

Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER, NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.

Bookmakers, Tipsters, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,
H. MIRA,
Secretary.

I sat at home listening to the draw at Monday lunchtime. Within ten minutes half-a-dozen people had rung me up. "A good match, Tom," was the first comment and then "Do you think you could get me a ticket, Tom?"

It is always the same with a big match and, between now and January 22, the question will ring a hundred times in the ears of every member of the Preston team. This, after all, is a Cup Final before it is time. Out of the Manchester (City v. Preston) local derbies, and the two Midland matches (West Bromwich v. Charlton and Wolves v. Arsenal) are rivals in public interest.

EXTRAORDINARY FEATURE

An extraordinary feature of the match is that Preston have never beaten Sunderland in the Cup in five meetings. Nor have Wolves ever beaten Arsenal in three Cup meetings. The last Preston-Sunderland battle—and it is the talk of Preston just now—is that great final at Wembley in 1937 when Sunderland won by three goals to one.

We turned up the details of that match in the dressing room down at Deepdale, the other evening. Do you remember some of the players?

Sunderland: Mupson; Gorman; Hall; Thomson; Johnson; McNab; Duns; Carter; Gurney; Gallacher; Burbancks.

Preston: Burns; Gallimore; Beattie (A); Shankley; Tremelling Milne; Dougal; Beresford; O'Donnell (F); Fagan; O'Donnell (H).

That was the season before I joined the Deepdale ground staff as a boy and all the Preston names you see there were heroes of mine. I didn't see the match at Wembley, of course, but sat round the radio set with the rest of the family getting more and more crestfallen as first Bob Gurney, then Ralph Carter and finally Eddie Burbancks scored goals, to which one by the great Frank O'Donnell was the only reply.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Frank, sad to relate, is dead. He became player-manager of Buxton. His brother, Hugh, is still in Preston in business and is a regular North End supporter.

Of the others in that fine Preston team, Mick Burns, the goalkeeper, was playing for Ipswich Town until well past 40. Frank Gallimore emigrated to Canada about three years ago to go farming and Andy Beattie, of course, is making a brilliant success of his job as manager of Huddersfield.

Bill Tremelling is living in the Blackpool district. Jimmy Milne is our trainer and Jimmy Dougal has the Moor Park Hotel in Preston—I can see his establishment opposite my own business as I write these notes. Joe Beresford, I believe, is still in the Midlands but I have lost sight of Bill Fagan, who, I think, is still playing with a non-League club.

I see few of Sunderland's 1937 stalwarts nowadays. Ralph Carter, of course, is manager of Leeds United. Bob Gurney is manager of Darlington and Bert Johnson is Sunderland's trainer.

Talking about the old-timers and trying to trace their whereabouts is a fascinating subject. I have often wondered why the BBC has not taken advantage of this nostalgic interest and brought to the microphone or to the television screen some of the great sportsmen of the past.

Apart from anything else it would be interesting to hear what they think of present-day Soccer. I know one man who would have pungent views—Billy Meredith, the old Welsh international, Manchester City and Manchester United winger, who lives in the Manchester district. He is still a great character.

COACHING HINT

Often you will hear among the crowd: "Look at that—he's passed the ball straight to one of his opponents!" Quite often it is an unfair criticism. A player must always be alert and on his toes and ready to dart towards the ball when it is being passed to him. If he waits for it to be passed to him, he has no chance of stopping it.



Edited By SAM LEITCH

West Ham are the latest club to make an unsuccessful bid for Arsenal's reserve leader Cliff Holton. Any other manager with ideas about Holton leaving Highbury might like to know this:—

Earlier in the season manager Tom Whittaker promptly rejected an £18,000 offer for the burly Oxford lad... an offer from a Southern First Division club.

But West Ham chief Ted Fenton, with some spare cash handy after the Tommy Southren deal with Aston Villa, has now switched to the North.

"No names," says manager Fenton, "but we do know that Preston are top heavy in centre forwards at the moment with Dennis Halsey and Peter Higham."

What chance a solution for West Ham nearer home, back in London, in fact?

NEIGHBOURLY DEED

Out-of-luck Hull City did not advertise their neighbourly deed last close season. It happened when they let York City have goalkeeper Tommy Forgan, right-back Ernie Phillips and

centre-forward Norman Wilkinson for just a token fee. Now Hull are out of the Cup. York City still in it.

And Hull don't disguise the fact that now they will gladly find places for all three Cup glottikillers.

Luring an experienced defender to Brentford to plug up the goal gaps is proving no easy task for manager Bill Dodgin. He met with no luck when sizing up Spurs' transfer-listed Charlie Withers; his latest move—watching a Scottish international back with a Southern First Division club—has got as far as deputy Jimmy Bain having a look at the player.

Bert Mozley finale the former England right back may have fallen out with his club, Derby, before he left recently for Canada.

But not with his clubmates. They presented him with a wristlet watch. "I am grateful for that gesture," says Bert, now on the high seas heading for Halifax, Nova Scotia.

NO STATEMENT

Bill Davie, Huddersfield Town's Scottish inside-left who asked for a transfer when left out of the Cup side, will be allowed to leave "if and when it is convenient to the club to release him."

That is understood to be Town's attitude, but there was no statement after last week's board meeting that the directors had discussed Davie's request.

First North Eastern League player to join a League club in 1955 is almost certain to be Bill Corral, clever inside-left of North Shields.

Six clubs showing great interest in him are: Newcastle United, Sunderland, Middlesbrough, Burnley, Doncaster Rovers and Blackburn Rovers.

Bury have also been running the rule over Shields' centre-half Frank Weir.

(London Express Service).

Ladies' Hockey Teams To Play In Macao

The Kowloon Ladies are holding a hockey practice match on Saturday, January 22, at King's Park at 2.30 p.m. All those who have been selected are kindly requested to make it a point of turning up at this practice.

The following are the ladies who have been selected to go to Macao to play an exhibition game over the Chinese New Year holidays:

Kowloon Team: Kim Campbell (Services), Capt. June Winterton (KGV "A"), Joan Lambooy (Gremilins), Lynn Ramsay (KGV "A"), Claire Marchetti (KGV "A"), Eileen Forsyth (Recreio), Elizabeth Stokes (KGV "A"), Margaret Fitcher (Dorians), M. Richards (Gremilins), Pat Garrard (Services), Rita Roza Pereira (Recreio).

Hongkong Team: Sylvia Heilmeyer (KGV "A"), Jean Marsh (Services), Elaine Souza (Recreio), Evelyn Cotton (Recreio), Wilma Watson (Gremilins), Ann Widdahugh (KGV "B"), Marjorie Bateman (Services), Irene Slurkey (Recreio), Diana Madgoff (Dorians), Doris Barton (Victorians), Capt. Valerie Souza (KGV "A"), Reserve: Nan Carvalho (Dorians).

Classifications

January, 1955

The following are alterations to the Hongkong Jockey Club Classification List:

To Class 1—King A, from Class 2; New Jersey, from Class 2.

To Class 5—Flying Dutchman, from Class 7; Honey Dew, from Class 7.

To Class 8—Laddie, from Class 7; House of, from Class 8.

Racing Needs Round-table Discussions

Says RICHARD BAERLEIN

The Jockey Club of America are particularly keen on round-table discussions and hold about three a year.

The participants are breeders, owners, trainers, jockeys, officials, a publicity representative, racecourse management, racing writers, vets, and someone in the capacity of a question master.

The American Jockey Club believe the entire racing industry profits by such discussions. They do not make regulations. Their purpose is to acquaint each other with their problems so that they may discuss the effects on all groups.

FULL REPORTS

Questions are sent in for this discussion but the originators are not named. Some time later a full verbatim report of the meeting is issued to the Press, and the questions and answers make interesting reading.

The English Jockey Club have not yet decided on such methods of exchanging opinions. But there is no doubt that similar discussions over here could do nothing but good. The various racing interests are far from united in their approach to the many problems involved. The owner wants one thing, the breeder another.

The bookmakers and the racecourse manager are fighting for different ends. For the benefit of racing it is important that they should all be working towards the same end.

RACING BOARD

It was with this idea in view that three years ago I suggested there should be a racing board, acting under the Jockey Club, to examine and report on all problems and suggestions.

My idea was that this board should run racing under the Jockey Club just as the turf board does in Ireland.

The successful Irish breeder, Captain Spencer Freeman, who has gone into this matter thoroughly, has advocated a racing and breeding joint advisory council, which would act in the same capacity.

Most followers of racing are agreed that, whether it be as a sport or as an industry, racing is sufficiently important to have Government backing, or at least recognition.

SERVICES OFFERED

For many years the Jockey Club have been advised to approach the Government on this point. Two MPs, Lord Lumblyon, and Mr. J. J. Astor, both fully acquainted with the difficulties of the turf, offered their services as go-betweens between the Jockey Club and responsible members of the Government. Unfortunately, their services were not required.

The Jockey Club member or representative could explain all these points at a round-table conference making the task of the constructive critic so much easier.

Discussions have waged furiously during the past year in

Stoke City And Bury Draw Third Replay

Liverpool, Jan. 19.

Stoke City and Bury again drew 2-2 when they met in the third replay of their English Football Association Cup Third Round tie here today.

The clubs have now played for a total of seven hours 22 minutes, and by taking the Marathon tie to a fifth meeting they have set up a record for the competition proper.

Three times previously a tie has been played five times before being settled, but each of these occasions was in the qualifying section of the tournament.

Bury built up a two goals lead in the first half but Stoke fought back splendidly to level the scores and force extra time.

—Reuter.

REMARKABLE BOWLING BY STATHAM

Gambier, Jan. 19. The MCC gained their 10th victory of the tour here today when they beat a South Australian Country XI by an innings and 177 runs with 20 minutes to spare.

The Countrymen totalled 166 in their first innings and 48 in their second in reply to MCC's 328.

Brian Statham, the Lancashire fast bowler, had a remarkable second innings spell of six wickets for no runs, all his victims being clean bowled, five of them without scoring. Gross, the number 11, was the first man to score off him, Statham finishing with six wickets for three runs.

The Countrymen's 45 was the lowest total of the tour against MCC. The previous lower was Combined XI's 88 in their second innings at Perth last October.

Earlier Bob Appleyard had finished off the first innings by taking six for 18 in a spell of 50 balls.

Aide Beder began the second innings run by taking three wickets in his first over.

Bennett, who opened for the Countrymen stood alone in his defence. He carried his bat for 14 in two hours.

Scores summary:

MCC 328 (R. Simpson 88, P. May 62, D. Compton 53, Gros three for 31, Darling three for 55).

South Australian Country XI First Innings 166 (B. Appleyard six for 20 and 48 (B. Statham six for three, A. V. Beder three for 11).—Reuter.

Charity Boxing Show On Saturday

The following card, possibly subject to some alterations, has been arranged for the Charity Boxing show at McPherson Stadium, Kowloon, on Saturday, January 22, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Eddy Ko v. LAC Cobyn, RAF.
Cha Shu-sum v. AB Brockway, RN.
Henry Wong v. Pte. Kelly, King's.

LAC Buller, RAF v. Boy Henson, RN.
Sgt. Weaver, APTC v. Pte. McIlenny, King's.

LAC Moogan, RAF v. Cpl. Hilton, N. Staffs.
LAC Colledge, RAF v. Gilbert Hugh.

L/C Carey, N. Staffs v. AB Rawlings, RN.
L/C Hudson, N. Staffs v. Chr. Mullen, REME.

Pte. Williams, King's Own v. LAC Cameron, RAF.
Cpl. Shannon, King's v. AB Sudd, RN.

Lou Choy-kee v. AB Mason, MN.
LAC Blake RAF v. (to be named by Army).

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WOMAN IN GREY

AS I took my seat on a bench outside the Clerkwell courtroom, to wait for the morning's work to begin, my coat brushed against my neighbour, a pale woman in grey.

I apologised, but the woman in grey neither spoke nor looked at me. She just sat there, staring across the mosaic floor, and all misery was in her face.

The courtroom was open, and the woman in grey stood rather than walked, into the public gallery, and there as one case after another was heard her eyes closed.

Then the case of Richard was called. A STURDY FOR A GARAGE man, prematurely grey, was shown into the court, and Richard came a policeman, wearing a green bicycle.

"Not guilty," Richard said, when the charge against him of stealing the bicycle was read out.

Just then, I noticed the woman in grey again. The listlessness had quite gone from her, and the dead look that had been in her eyes. She stood tense and tall and eager, and looking at the judge.

A policeman gave evidence of stopping Richard in the street, because he seemed so little at home on the bicycle he was riding.

"When I asked that was his machine," the policeman said to the magistrate, Mr. Seymour Collins, he replied, "Of course it's mine. I've just come 200 miles to London on it. I'm looking for a garage to get this fixed-wheel changed to a free-wheel."

A MISTAKE, A JOKE. "WHEN he was charged," the officer went on, "the said 'You're making a dreadful mistake. This was a joke. You're in for a big surprise.'"

To every word spoken, the woman in grey seemed to cling as if everything that made her life depended upon what was being said.

Richard went into the witness box, and said he had borrowed the bicycle from the said where it had been left, thinking it belonged to someone he knew. But he could not explain why he had not told the policeman that, nor why he had claimed it was his own.

"I'm quite satisfied about this," the magistrate said, a hand to his eyes, and her lips moved slightly.

CAN THE MISSUS? "THERE are two previous convictions against this man," said the officer in charge of the case, consulting the documents he took to the witness-box.

In 1944, Richard had been bound over for stealing an overcoat, in 1946, been bound over again for stealing a lorry tyre.

"He refused all details about his antecedents and employment," the officer said, "but this morning he says he will tell me. I shall need a little time to check."

The magistrate turned to Richard. "I shall remain with you for a week in custody," he said. "Please, sir," Richard said, with great urgency, "can my missus have the money I got on me? I was paid yesterday. I got £4 10s. for her, for the house."

THE WAIT BEGINS. I LOOKED once more at the woman in grey. Her hand was on her throat, and when the magistrate said Richard might hand over his money, she gulped and fled from the courtroom.

When, much later, I left the courtroom, the woman in grey was sitting again in the entrance hall. She was waiting, not only for her husband's wages, but for the long week to pass before his future and hers would be decided; before she could live properly again.

French Novel Impounded

Buenos Aires, Jan. 19. The French novel "Le Salaire de la Peur" (The Salary of Fear), published by the Bibliotheque de Pocho, was declared immoral today by the Advisory Committee and all numbers were ordered to be seized by the authorities.

The seizure order includes any existing translations into the Spanish language. — United Press.

Appeals Dismissed: No Appearance By Govt In Court

No appearance was entered by the Government of the Republic of Indonesia this morning when they were due to answer notices of motion before the Full Court to show cause why certain pending appeals should not be dismissed or otherwise stayed.

The appeals arose out of a claim against the Indonesian Government for legal possession of the 3,679-ton steamer Tasikmalaja, now lying in Hunghom Bay.

On December 23, 1954, an ex-Hongkong Supreme Court, and in allowing the appeal of Messrs Juan Ysmael and Co., Inc., with costs, the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council said that the judgment of the Hongkong Full Court of Appeal would be set aside, including their declaration that the judgment of Mr Justice C. W. Reece was null and void, for want of jurisdiction.

The Judicial Committee remitted the matter to the Hongkong Full Court to consider other questions raised in the appeal, and directed that all costs incurred in the Courts in Hongkong were to be dealt with by the Full Court here.

Sitting as the Full Court this morning were the acting Chief Justice, Mr Justice T. J. Gould, and the Puisne Judge, Mr Justice J. R. Gregg.

Appearing for Messrs Juan Ysmael and Co., Inc., were the Hon. Leo d'Almeida, QC, and Mr Brook A. Beriaachi, instructed by Mr M. A. da Silva and Co.

NO APPEARANCE

Mr d'Almeida referred to letters received by his instructing solicitor from Messrs Wilkison and Grist, solicitors for the Indonesian Government, which, he said, clearly indicated that the Indonesian Government had no intention of appearing to answer the notices of motion. After recalling the proceedings both before the Hongkong Court and before the Privy Council, Counsel asked the Full Court to dismiss the outstanding appeals and to award certain costs as directed by the Privy Council.

The Full Court made the orders asked for, and adjourned the hearing of other matters in connection with costs sine die.

The Privy Council on October 7 upheld the appeal of Messrs Juan Ysmael and Co., Inc., against a decision of the Hongkong Full Court (comprising the Chief Justice, Sir Gerard Howe, and Mr Justice E. H. Williams) which had awarded the protection of diplomatic immunity to the Indonesian Consul-General in Hongkong from cross-examination in the Supreme Court which had heard the original action for legal possession of the Tasikmalaja.

In September, 1952, Mr Justice C. W. Reece, Puisne Judge, dismissed the Indonesian Government's submission that its Consul-General, Mr Kwee Dile-hoo, and a diplomatic courier should be protected by their diplomatic immunity from cross-examination.

In December, 1952, the Full Court reversed Mr Justice Reece's decision and in January, 1953, the Court gave permission for the case to go to the Privy Council.

Bandits Wooded With Photos

Alor Star (North Malaya), Jan. 19. The Federation of Malaya government is using romance to tempt border terrorists out of the jungles between Malaya and Sumatra.

They are dropping 120,000 wedding announcements. The announcement of the wedding of former terrorist Ooi Kim Chwee is accompanied by a photograph of the happy newly-weds. The leaflets say that Ooi is now "free, well-fed, well-clothed and happily married."

"Think of your own situation," the leaflets urge. "Your leaders, Wing Lok, Lin Chwee, and Low Chen, make love to women comrades and get away with it. But what would happen to you if you tried it?"

The leaflet stresses the bliss of domesticity and the many advantages of surrendering to government forces. — France Press.



MR. A. T. B. BARDENS

LOSS TO RADIO HK

Mr. A. T. B. Bardens, AMIEE, M. Brit. IRE, Engineer-in-Charge Broadcasting, Radio Hongkong, is leaving the Colony tonight in the Hessianstein to take up broadcasting duties elsewhere.

He arrived in the Colony in 1946 with Cable and Wireless and was seconded to the Government and operated at the Peak Wireless Station. He reverted to the Company in 1949.

Mr. Bardens started his long engineering career with Halifax and Bermuda Cable Company in 1926.

He subsequently served in Bougainville, New Guinea, Gibraltar, Malta, Eritrea and Aden.

Frantic Cries For Help Came Too Late

Mother, Daughter Killed

Greensboro, N.C., Jan. 19. A mother of four and her eldest daughter were stabbed to death today while the daughter cried frantically for help over a party-line telephone.

Horrible neighbours summoned the police to the home of Mrs. W. W. Cook, 32, after they picked up their telephones to hear six-year-old Betty Cook shouting over the line that her mother was being killed.

When the police arrived, they found Mrs. Cook and Betty dead. Three other children—Barbara, Jean, 6, Ronald, 4, and Robert, 6 months—were unharmed.

MOTIVE UNKNOWN

The police said Barbara Jean told them the murderer was a Negro man who drove up to the house in a black, dark-blue truck. Police said it appeared that the killer had known Mrs. Cook and had been able to enter the house with no trouble.

They were unable to say what the motive was for the killing. — United Press.

Fishermen's Purging Ceremony



Every three years these youths from the fishing village of Arai on the Izu Peninsula perform a peculiar ritual during the early days of the New Year. Carrying portable shrines and various religious insignia from the local temple, they race through the icy waters across the bay in a purging ceremony. This event has been enacted for over a thousand years. For one month after the ceremony the youths do not associate with women—and their boats must not carry women for the following twelve months. — London Express.

HARBOUR BRIDGE PROJECT

(Continued from Page 1)

Aesthetically the Hongkong bridge does not compare with the grandeur of the Sydney Harbour bridge or the Golden Gate of San Francisco. But the promoters point out that if they place any premium on glamour, the cost factor is considerably increased and as Mr. Allport quipped: "We'll probably get used to it in 20 years." Certainly it is not ugly and there are not likely to be any complaints by any but the purists that it is an "eyesore."

A number of other questions occur.

FRANCHISES: Construction of a bridge would entail considerable readjustment of existing franchises with local transport concerns for the present plans naturally envisage buses and taxis crossing the bridge and vice versa. There is no provision for a tram or trolley on the bridge.

TYPHOONS: In the event of a severe typhoon, the bridge would, for safety reasons, be closed at the same time as the ferry services are suspended.

PARKING: A cross-harbour bridge would mean the Hongkong would be flooded with many more cars and the parking problem would become acute. The promoters suggest that a multi-storey parking garage could be built on one of the proposed reclamation sites. Main roads leading to and from the bridge—certainly on the Hongkong side—would have to be widened.

With the extra traffic but it is believed that plans are being prepared for a start on this work.

The promoters point not only to the utilitarian value of the bridge but they borrow justification for the project from the Abercrombie report which said (of the tunnel project): "It will be a symbol of the unity of interests of the Colony."

However, they offer the plan as a basis for consideration and discussion and they have given details of what they stress is simply "the germ of an idea of what is a feasible proposition."

Much still requires careful investigation. The above report, they stress, should be understood in this light.

Successful Operation On Col. McCormick

Chicago, Jan. 19. Colonel Robert McCormick, editor and publisher of the Chicago Tribune, underwent an abdominal operation at Passavant Hospital today and was reported in good condition afterwards.

Colonel McCormick, 74, flew back from his winter home and entered hospital on Monday. A Tribune spokesman said the operation was performed to remove adhesions between the large intestine and the bladder. He was expected to leave the hospital in about two weeks. — United Press.

Mystery Phone Call To Magistrate

Mr. Hin-shing Lo, First Magistrate at Central, said in Court this morning that he received a phone call shortly after midnight from a man who started to give his name as Able Seaman... when the line was cut!

Addressing the Court Prosecutor, Sub-Insp. D. J. Carly, Mr. Lo said that if the sailor was trying to speak to him from a station the call should not have been interfered with.

The Magistrate then asked two Canadian sailors charged with disorderly conduct and malicious damage whether one of them had made the call. They said "No, Sir."

The sailors, A/B Edward Michael Kockanuch 20, and A/B Alan Lawrence Acheson, 19, both of HMCS Sioux, were arrested at the car park near the Queen's Road traffic post at 11.15 last night after being observed interfering with some of the cars parked there.

Insp. Carly told the Court that defendants had been drinking but were not drunk when arrested.

Defendants' Senior Officer, Lt. Byrnes, said that both men had excellent service records. It was their first visit to the Colony.

The sailors had nothing to say in mitigation.

They were both cautioned on the charge of disorderly conduct and bound over in \$100 for one year. Kockanuch was also fined \$25 and ordered to pay Mr. F. W. Bradley \$10 for damage to his car mirror.

Assaults
Police, Gets
Black Eye

"Are you seriously hurt, Insp. Robinson?" asked Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning when Radio Officer Leonard Colin Kirk, of the Merchant Navy, was arraigned on charges of disorderly conduct and assaulting the Police.

"Only a black eye, Your Worship," replied the Officer, exhibiting a beauty.

Kirk, who kept fingering a split ear, pleaded guilty to the charges and apologised to Insp. Robinson. "I am sincerely sorry," he said.

"Do you accept the apology?" asked Mr. Lo, Insp. Robinson smiled and said that he did.

Kirk admitted in Court that he behaved in a disorderly manner by shouting at Bayview Police Station last night and also that he punched Insp. Robinson in the eye.

To this he added: "I was very, very drunk, and am terribly sorry that I was so disorderly."

"Very well," said Mr. Lo, "I will caution you on the disorderly conduct count, and you will pay \$50 for assaulting a Police Officer."

Kirk was additionally bound over in \$100 for one year.

SPEEDING CAR DRIVER FINED

A woman driver, Jen Wai-ming of 39 Tin Hau Temple Road, ground floor, pleading guilty to speeding, was fined \$20 by Mr. Thomas Tam at Central this morning.

Sub-inspector C. D. Maygar, prosecuting, told the Court that the accused, while driving a car about 9.20 a.m. on October 9 last year, was travelling at a speed of 20-28 mph. along Main Street in Shaikwan between the junction of Island Road and Taikee Dock's West Gate, an area where speed is limited to 20 miles per hour.

Quie Returns To The Witness Box

An allegation that as a result of his incarceration in the Mental Hospital he was unable to obtain credit facilities, was made by Mr. Joseph Leslie Quie when hearing of his claim for damages against three Government doctors continued before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice T. J. Gould in the Supreme Court this morning.

Mr. Quie was recalled to give evidence in connection with his claim for special damages.

Plaintiff is suing three Government doctors for \$250,000 as damages for alleged injury to himself from the defendants' alleged negligence in connection with his detention in a mental home for observation, or for the certification of the plaintiff as being of unsound mind, and his consequential confinement in a mental home.

Defendants are Dr. P. M. Yap of the Mental Hospital, Dr. S. H. Moore of the Medical Department, and Prof. A. J. S. McFadden of Queen Mary Hospital.

Mr. Quie is represented by Mr. John McNeill, QC, Mr. Lawrence Leong and Mr. R. W. S. Winter, all instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva.

Defendants are represented by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr, Senior Crown Counsel, and Mr. J. C. McRobert, Crown Counsel.

PERSONAL OVERDRAFT

Recalled to the witness stand, Mr. Quie said that on February 15, 1952, he was thinking of purchasing Nos. 74, 76 and 78 Nathan Road for \$500,000, with a deposit of \$25,000.

He had originally arranged to finance the transaction by half of the purchase price on mortgage, but subsequently he saw the Hongkong Bank and they agreed to finance the whole deal on overdraft facilities.

Plaintiff said that in consequence of that he drew a cheque for \$475,000, being the balance of the purchase price of the property.

The overdraft, he added, was a personal overdraft.

He signed an assignment of the property in favour of the Bruce Investment Company when he first entered Queen Mary Hospital.

That assignment was not completed because he was in the Mental Hospital afterwards, plaintiff said.

Mr. Quie said that the Bank then wrote to his solicitors suggesting that the money be returned. The letter was dated March 20, 1952, which plaintiff identified.

COMPENSATION

Plaintiff said that he later made a certain request to Mr. Tan, the person with whom he originally negotiated for the

CONSIDERATION MONEY

The consideration was \$592,011 and plaintiff identified an agreement he had entered into with Anderson and Pomerance, dated February 12, 1953.

The consideration money was made up as follows, plaintiff went on. The original purchase price of \$500,000 plus \$10,000 compensation money, \$25,000 stamp duty, \$1,000-odd legal fees, \$40,000-odd for interest, \$10,000-odd as commission. A sum of \$980-odd for rents collected was deducted from the total figure, he added.

Plaintiff said that the assignment was to Bruce Investment Company.

Asked how he raised the purchase price, plaintiff said he put up \$280,000 himself and raised the balance by two mortgages—one for \$280,000 at 1.5 per cent interest per month and the other for \$50,000 at 1.5 per cent interest per month.

The first mortgage was discharged in about six months' time and he had paid \$29,000-odd as interest. For the second mortgage he had paid about \$5,000 for interest.

He said that had he been able to carry out a financial arrangement with the Bank he would have paid about \$14,000 as interest to the Bank for eight months. He had made an allowance for that interest in the damages he was claiming.

In what way he had suffered loss in this transaction if the original arrangements had gone through, plaintiff said he would have to pay the Bank interest at five per cent per annum.

Plaintiff declared that as a result of his incarceration in the Mental Hospital he had no credit at all. Before going to the Hospital his credit standing was sound. He was then able to get facilities in transactions which he wanted to carry out, but since he left the Hospital he was unable to obtain any at all.

Hearing is proceeding.

TROOPS HERE FROM KOREA

The main body of the First Battalion, Northamptonshire Regiment, arrived here in the troopship "Ashanti" today. These troops were on duty in Hongkong after nine months of service in Korea.

The Battalion, an advance party of which arrived several days ago, was greeted by the Band of the Essex Regiment.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"He's studying so much he'll be a social outcast—I always preferred to date boys like you rather than the smart ones!"